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Serial No. : 09/652,714	Group Art Unit : 2815
Filed : August 31, 2000	Examiner : Jose R. Diaz
Title : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE	

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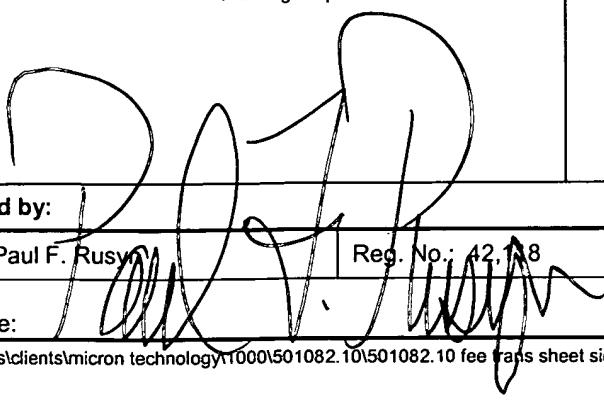
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